

Water District No. 140

General Meeting – March 16, 2010, 2:00 pm

(Advisory Committee met at 12:00 pm the same day to discuss issues concerning the general meeting at 2 pm)

Mike Cranney conducted the meeting which started at 2:00 pm. Mike turned the time over to Gary Spackman. Gary said he was here to relate concerns that had been expressed in a letter from Attorney General's office on conflicts that might cause some issues with our new elected watermaster. He said he was not here to change our minds and said that Brian Higgs had been elected and he would approve him if we could get some conflict concerns resolved. There was discussion by many at the meeting, both pros and cons to those issues.

Mike turned time over to Randy Brown (secretary), to read minutes from the Feb. 16th annual meeting. He asked if there were any corrections. Change by Brent Stoker: Brian Higgs was nominated by Steve Hepworth-1st and by Brent Stoker-2nd. Change by Don Pickett: Verbage should be changed where Cindy Yenter said that there would be a conflict of interest. It should say Cindy Yenter's opinion is that there would be a conflict of interest. Minutes were approved as read.

Randy said we are here today to adopt a new budget and adopt resolutions that were not properly adopted last meeting. Mike asked Randy (while the budget was put on the screen) to give those who were not at last meeting a little history of why we felt Brian Higgs would possibly serve our needs better than a state employee. Randy said they had a seven year working relationship with Brian. He is easy to work with, effective, honest and has a thorough knowledge of SWID water issues.

Mike turned the time over to Brian Higgs to show us his proposed budget and how it was allocated. He compared the budget proposed at Feb 16th meeting and then explained the new budget. He explained the costs per diversion would be \$70 per well. He gave an estimate of cost for measuring and reporting. Cindy Yenter talked about pro-rata of all diversions and talked about resolution #9 where \$25 per diversion is the minimum charge or 10 cents per acre feet. Mike asked for a motion to approve budget numbers. Mike Aardema-1st and Grant Wyatt-2nd. It was a unanimous approval vote. Mike asked Cindy Yenter to help Brian with resolutions that needed to be changed so we could approve resolutions. Changes:

1. Date and meeting time changed from Feb. 16 to March 16, 2:00 pm
2. Voters district will elect watermaster for WD140
4. Delete
6. Water budget adopted for WD140 shall begin Mar. 1, 2010 and end Feb. 28, 2011.
7. Don Pickett for treasurer takes over for David Pickett (need change of address on bank account)
8. Ability to charge for services
10. April 15, 2010 for assessments to be sent out, paid by May 1, 2010 or 10% interest on assessments if not paid.
11. Watermaster may withhold water deliveries if not paid by Jan. 1 of the year following the billing date.
14. Annual meetings held second Tuesday of March for Watermaster.
16. Watermaster reports directly to IDWR. Burley is self-reporting (they will report directly to IDWR).

Mike commented that Cindy Yenter has done a great job and expressed appreciation for her cooperation. He asked for a motion to adopt resolutions as corrected. John Beukers-1st, Brent Stoker-2nd, unanimous vote. Don Pickett asked if we were here to re-elect a watermaster. He was told no from

the director Gary Spackman. Then Don Pickett asked for a ratification of Brian Higgs as watermaster. Brent Stoker-1st, Russell Patterson-2nd, unanimous vote for motion.

Mike adjourned meeting at 4:15 pm.

List of people present

Steve Hepworth
Lisa Patterson
Russell V. Patterson
Bryan Reiter
Brent Stoker
Dusty Galliher
Noland Critchfield
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Don G. Gunderson, MCWD45 watermaster
Earl L. Warthen
Ryan Cranney
John Beukers
Mike Aardema
Grant Wyatt
Jackson Allred II
Jackson W. Allred III
Willie Heward
Dwaine Baker
K. Wells
Mike Hunter
Jared Mitton
Paul Searle
Earl Christensen
Sharon Hardy Mills
Charles Longmiller
B. George
Chuck & Delta Skaggs
Kent Searle
Don F. Pickett
Steve Sailors